HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1287 By Cochran

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Shanna Raines, 2006 Co-Valedictorian of Happy Valley High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Shanna Raines is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Happy Valley High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Shanna Raines has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Shanna Raines has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous school clubs and organizations, including the Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the National Honor Society and Valley Volunteers, accumulating over 300 hours of volunteer work; and

WHEREAS, a tremendous athlete, Shanna was a member of the cross country, track and basketball teams at Happy Valley, serving as co-captain of each team during her senior season. During her career she earned All-Conference and All-Region honors in cross country and track for four years and was a two-year starter and three-year member of the varsity basketball team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Shanna Raines was named to the National Honor Roll and appeared in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and *Who's Who in Sports* for four years; and

WHEREAS, selected 1st Team All American Christian Athlete, Sprint DSL Scholar Athlete of the Week, and as an All American Scholar, Shanna has received USAA National Awards for Leadership & Service, Business Education, and Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, at the top ten percent of her class every year, Shanna Raines received the top academic award for Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Spanish I, Spanish II, Chemistry I, Biology I, and Honors English; and

WHEREAS, Shanna has received a Tennessee Hope Scholarship and a Presidential Freedom Scholarship, in addition to a Women's Cross Country Scholarship from Milligan College, an Academic Scholarship and a Milligan College Grant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Raines's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she furthers her education at Milligan College; and

WHEREAS, Shanna's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Robert and Linda Raines, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Shanna Raines's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Happy Valley High School Co-Valedictorian, Shanna Raines, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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